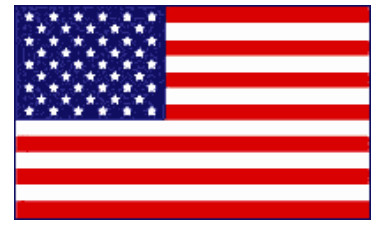




PORTLAND VA MEDICAL CENTER

*Portland, Oregon Division
Vancouver, Washington Division
Community Based Outpatient Clinics
Salem, OR Bend, OR
Camp Rilea (Warrenton, OR)*



NOTICE OF VACANCY

1. <u>Announcement Number</u> T38-10-0239-KA	2. <u>Title, Series, Grade, Salary</u> Medical Instrument Technician (Anesthesiology) ^{FS} GS-0649-6/7/8 \$36,799 to \$58,872 per annum (Based on full-time employment)	3. <u>Tour of Duty</u> 8:00-4:30pm M-F	4. <u>Duty Station</u> Operative Care Division, Portland Division
5. <u>Type & Number of Vacancies</u> 1 Full-time position	6. <u>Contact</u> Human Resources Assistant 503-273-5236	7. <u>Opening Date</u> 09/21/2010	8. <u>Closing Date</u> 11/20/2010 1 st consideration date 10/13/10

THIS POSITION IS IN THE BARGAINING UNIT

WHO MAY APPLY TO THIS ANNOUNCEMENT:

- Career or career conditional employees and permanent Title 38 and Title 38 Hybrid employees eligible under the interchange agreement and people eligible under special hiring authorities (See conditions of employment).
- Any US Citizen

MAJOR DUTIES:

Incumbent will be responsible for setting up the anesthesia machines in each operating room prior to the beginning of the scheduled OR day, including breathing circuit apparatus, cardiac monitors, suction and other apparatus that might be required. Set up IV lines and assist anesthesiologists in placement of pressure lines for specialty catheters, including CVP, arterial, and pulmonary catheters. Set up and calibrate cardiac output apparatus. Obtain and calculate hemodynamic data. Provide assistance to anesthesiologists performing regional anesthesia on patients. Perform laboratory tests in the operating room. Operate the autotransfusion machine and related equipment in both scheduled and emergent surgical cases. Be able to adapt anesthesia systems to remote areas of the medical center at any time without direct supervision and in a timely manner. This includes assembling and operating life support equipment including ventilators, cardiac monitors, and laboratory instruments. Have full operational knowledge of delicate laboratory instruments including blood gas analyzers, co-oximeter, glucometer, and activated clotting time. Will be available for emergency call-back to the medical center as assigned by the Chief Technician.

QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS:

Eligibility: U.S. Office of Personnel Management Qualification Standards Handbook for Human Resources Management Series, GS-649, and may be reviewed in the Human Resources Management Service office. Regulatory requirements such as "time-in-grade" and "time after competitive appointment" are applicable

Specialized Experience: **GS-06:** One year of experience comparable to GS-5 in the Federal service that demonstrates knowledge, skills, abilities, and other characteristics related to the duties of the positions to be filled. In addition, candidates must demonstrate the particular knowledge, skills and abilities under Basis of Rating below. **GS-07:** One year of experience comparable to GS-6 in the Federal service that demonstrates knowledge, skills, abilities, and other characteristics related to the duties of the positions to be filled. In addition, candidates must demonstrate the particular knowledge, skills and abilities under Basis of Rating below. **GS-08:** One year of experience comparable to GS-7 in the Federal service that demonstrates knowledge, skills, abilities, and other characteristics related to the duties of the positions to be filled. In addition, candidates must demonstrate the particular knowledge, skills and abilities under Basis of Rating below.

BASIS OF RATING: (Knowledge, Skills, Abilities (KSAs))

Applicants must demonstrate through their experience or education that they possess the following published KSAs(from VA Handbook 5005) for the grade at which they wish to apply (and grades below that grade if applicable):

1. Knowledge of medical and equipment terminology. (Such as EKG, blood pressure, pulse oximetry and cardiac monitoring machines)
2. Ability to work independently.
3. Ability to prioritize workload, organizing work requests, and completing the task at hand.

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4. Ability to effectively communicate with patients and hospital staff.
5. Ability to perform quality controls, collect data, and provide feedback.

CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT:

- Under Executive Order 11935, only United States citizens and nationals (residents of American Samoa and Swains Island) may compete for civil service jobs. Agencies are permitted to hire noncitizens only in very limited circumstances where there are no qualified citizens available for the position.
- All information submitted to this VA Medical Center is subject to verification by VetPro.
- If you are a male born after December 31, 1959, and are at least 18 years of age, civil service employment law (5 U.S.C. 3328) requires that you must register with the Selective Service System, unless you meet certain exemptions.
- A security clearance and a favorable suitability determination are required. Misconduct in prior employment, criminal, dishonest or disgraceful conduct, habitual use of intoxicating beverages, abuse of narcotics, drugs or other controlled substances, or reasonable doubt of loyalty to the United States are examples of reasons an offer of employment may be denied.
- Public transit subsidy benefits are available. Carpooling assistance is provided. However, single occupancy parking is limited on main Portland campus.
- A drug test may be required for an applicant who is tentatively selected.
- A pre-employment physical examination will be required for an applicant who is tentatively selected.
- Applicants appointed to direct patient care positions must be proficient in spoken and written English as required by 38 USC 7402(d) and 7407(d).
- [VACareers](#) has descriptions of all Title 38 Jobs and their benefits.
- This agency provides reasonable accommodations to applicants with disabilities. If you need a reasonable accommodation for any part of the application and hiring process, please notify the agency. The decision on granting reasonable accommodation will be on a case-by-case basis
- The United States Government does not discriminate in employment on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, political affiliation, sexual orientation, marital status, disability, age, membership in an employee organization, or other non-merit factor.
- It is the policy of the Department of Veterans Affairs that all Federal wage and salary payments are paid to employees by Direct Deposit/Electronic Funds Transfer (DD/EFT).
- This is an Excepted Appointment. Excepted service positions have been excepted from the requirements of the competitive service by law, Executive Order, or by OPM regulation (5 USC 2103 and 5 CFR part 213). Public law No. 108-170 converts this occupational series from the competitive civil service to the Hybrid Title 38 employment system.
- Eligible employees may be non-competitively reassigned to fill this position as an exception to merit promotion.
- Applicants selected for this position may be appointed to a temporary appointment, NTE 13 months, pending completion of boarding process.

HOW TO APPLY:

Portland VAMC Permanent Employees must submit:

1. [VAF 4078, Application for Promotion or Reassignment](#)
2. MPQ – Merit Promotion Questionnaire is optional but recommended if you have qualifications pertaining to the position applied for but are not in your OPF

Other VA Permanent Employees must submit:

1. [VA Form 10-2850c, Application for Associated Health Occupations](#)
2. Resume or CV
3. [OF-306, Declaration for Federal Employment](#)
4. Latest SF-50, Notification of Personnel Action
5. Copies of all current licenses
6. Latest performance appraisal

Non VA Applicants must submit:

1. [VA Form 10-2850c, Application for Associated Health Occupations](#)
2. Resume or CV
3. [OF-306, Declaration for Federal Employment](#) (January 2001 version or later).
4. Veterans Preference:
 - a. DD-214, Military Discharge Paper (member copy #4 for July 1979 or later editions) (For 5 Point Veteran's Preference).
 - b. [SF-15, Application for 10-point Veteran Preference](#) (December 2004 version or later)
 - c. VA letter of service-connected disability rating dated 1991 or later.
5. SF-50, Notification of Personnel Action (if applying as a current or former federal employee).
6. Copies of all current licenses, registrations, or certifications (applicable to job).
7. **A copy of your college transcripts**

All application packets must be received in Human Resources by Close of Business (COB) on 10/13/10 for first consideration. Application forms may be obtained in Human Resources Office or on our external website, <http://www.visn20.med.va.gov/Portland/mc/hr>

Applications may be mailed to:
Portland VA Medical Center, P4HRMS
Attn: T38-10-0239-KA
PO Box 1034
Portland, OR 97207

Or brought in person to:
Portland VA Medical Center
3710 SW US Veterans Hospital Rd
Building 16, Room 300
Portland OR 97239

APPLICANT'S PLEASE NOTE:

- Education must be accredited by an accrediting institution recognized by the U.S. Department of Education in order for it to be credited towards qualifications (particularly positions with a positive education requirement.). Therefore, applicants must report only attendance and/or degrees from schools accredited by accrediting institutions recognized by the U.S. Department of Education.
- Applicants can verify accreditation at the following website: <http://www.ed.gov/admins/finaid/accred/index.html>. All education claimed by applicants will be verified by the appointing agency accordingly.

IMPORTANT NOTICE ABOUT APPLICANT'S RESPONSIBILITY:

- It is the applicant's responsibility to submit documentation to support his/her application for this position. Applicant is responsible for ensuring that all experience, formal training, award recognition, etc. are documented in the application package. Experience may include voluntary or other non-paid experience in the appropriate field. If you feel that your training record contains information pertinent to your qualifications, then you must submit a printed copy of your training record with your application package. Your training record will become part of the specific vacancy file and will not be filed in Official Personnel Folder. Human Resources Management Division will not photocopy any application material; applicants are responsible for making photocopies prior to submitting applications.
- **It is the responsibility of the applicant to ensure timely receipt of the application, regardless of the method used for submission. The VA assumes no responsibility for the late delivery of applications (i.e. postal service delays). The Portland VA Medical Center will not accept FAX, or emailed applications or applications in a US government envelope.**